

As Chief of the Tolland Fire Department, I urge you to support HB 5911, An Act Concerning Restructuring of the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Board (EMSAB).

The current EMSAB has 41 members. From a public policy perspective, the bloated size of the group makes it unwieldy and slows forward momentum. The fact that on average, less than 50% of the members attends the meetings is dismal.

As a Fire Chief of a combination fire department, I am constantly working to make my department more efficient. I urge you to take a look at the makeup of the EMSAB and restructure it to be more efficient and better meet the changing needs of the EMS System in Connecticut.

Please support HB 5911 and right-size the unwieldy 41 person EMSAB.

Thank you

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